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Welcome to the December issue the Radio HF Newsletter. Another year has gone by as this issue marks the completion of 17th year of this electronic publication. It's difficult to believe that I've been doing this for so many years. I can distinctly remember putting the very first edition together. It was not long after getting on this new thing called "The Internet" that I realized there was way too much information out there for me, and probably anyone else, to be able to deal with. The goal was, and always has been, to narrow down the scope of things and to focus in on things that will hopefully be of interest to a specialized group of people…that would be you!

I've just received information on the 28th annual Winter SWL Festival for 2016. It will take place on February 19 and 20, 2016 in Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania. This is the largest annual gathering of radio hobbyists in northeast North America. The website is included in this newsletter in the Radio Zone. Hope to see many of you there in February.

My wife Darlene and I would like to wish all of our Radio HF Internet Newsletter subscribers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the season with family and friends at home or on the road if you're travelling over the holidays. Enjoy and be safe.

Our Monthly Special Zone for December includes web pages on Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, United Nations: Human Rights Day and United Nations: International Migrants Day.

I can't let Christmas go by without sharing my two favourite Christmas videos with you.

WHITE CHRISTMAS – THE DRIFTERS

From 1954 the Drifters recorded the classic White Christmas featuring Bill Pinkney on lead bass and Clyde McPhatter on tenor. Joshua Held created this gem of a cartoon to accompany the song
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ooc5eJc5SHA http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ooc5eJc5SHA

HARDROCK, COCO & JOE

This clip is Hardrock, Coco and Joe. It's a short stop-motion animated cartoon, based on a song written by Stuart Hamblen, about three of Santa Claus' helpers. It has become an annual "Christmas Classic" since its introduction in the mid 1950s. Its full title is Hardrock, Coco and Joe - The Three Little Dwarfs. It was created by Centaur Productions utilizing the stop-motion talents of artist Wah Ming Chang. Ever since discovering this cartoon, I have shared it with thousands of people. Most of them hate me for it! I personally think it's kind of creepy. Just freeze-frame on Santa. He is one scary dude! And that song…what can I say. It will get into your head and rot your brain! Share this with a friend and they'll end up hating you for it as well. BEWARE, click on it if you dare!
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7IMjlfnjanQ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7IMjlfnjanQ

This month's virtual voyage around the world, in the "Where in the World Zone", takes us to the Baltic states in north-western Europe to Latvia. Officially the Republic of Latvia, it is one of the three Baltic States. It is bordered by Estonia to the north, Lithuania to the south, Russia to the east, and Belarus to the southeast, as well as a maritime border to the west with Sweden. Latvia has 2,070,371 inhabitants and a territory of 64,589 square kilometers (24,938 square miles).

So on we go. Here is this month's collection of websites. I invite you to submit some of your favourite websites to include in upcoming editions of the Newsletter. Happy Holidays to everyone!

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THE COMMENTS ZONE

Gerald Brookman, Kenai, Alaska: Sheldon: I want to thank you for your continuing efforts to put out a very interesting newsletter. I always enjoy reading it, and do appreciate the time and effort that goes into putting it together!

THE CONTRIBUTORS ZONE

What a great way to wrap up the year with 8 contributors to this month's Newsletter. Thank you for your contributions and thank you to all who sent along links throughout the year. Let's keep this trend going into the New Year 2016.

Gerald Brookman, Kenai, Alaska
Richard Cuff, Allentown, Pennsylvania
John Fisher, N. Chelmsford, Massachusetts
Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec
Don Moman, Lamont, Alberta
Randy Owen, Tillsonburg, Ontario
Alan Rayment, Nelson, British Columbia
David Shindler, Oakville, Ontario

THE MONTHLY SPECIAL ZONE

Here are some special days and events in December

MONTHLY CELEBRATIONS

International Aids Awareness Month
National Impaired Driving Prevention Month

WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS

6 – 14 - Hanukkah
10 – 17 Human Rights Week
26 – Jan 1 - Kwanzaa

SPECIAL DAYS

1 – United Nations: World AIDS Day
2 – Special Education Day
2 – United Nations: International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
3 – United Nations: International Day of Persons with Disabilities
5 – United Nations: World Soil Day
7 – National Pearl Harbour Remembrance Day
7 – United Nations: International Civil Aviation Day
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18 – United Nations: International Migrants Day
20 – United Nations: International Human Solidarity Day
21 – Winter Begins
24 – Christmas Eve
25 – Christmas
26 – Boxing Day
31 – New Year's Eve

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

12 – International Shareware Day
18 – Underdog Day

Sources:
2015 Chase's Calendar of Events
2015 California Department of Education - Calendar of Events
2015 National Health & Wellness Observances Calendar
2015 United Nations Observances
2015 USDA Health Observances & Holidays
Metro - metrocreativeconnection.com
National Food Days – ScottRobertsWeb.com
VIA
http://ucanr.edu/sites/Spanish/Calendario/December_2011/
http://ucanr.edu/sites/Spanish/Calendario/December_2011/

Here are some websites related to some of the special days and events for the month of December

SANTA CLAUS & THE NORTH POLE

http://www.northpole.com/ http://www.northpole.com/

Enjoy Christmas with Santa Claus at the North Pole, an award-winning Christmas website; a great webpage for the entire family

ALL THINGS CHRISTMAS

http://www.allthingschristmas.com/ http://www.allthingschristmas.com/

On this page you will find holiday treasures such as printable cards, lyrics to your favorite Christmas carols, songs in MIDI format, unique craft ideas, decorating and tips for Christmas shopping and hostess gifts. We have a lot of holiday stories, delicious recipes, links to other holiday web sites, and more, including our Christmas for kids-section, which offers fun, games, riddles, printables and other goodies just for kids. Don't forget to visit our pages with Xmas fun – we have Christmas videos, top 10 lists, and lots of surprising facts about Christmas.

NORAD SANTA

http://www.noradsanta.org/

Get the kids to this site early on Christmas Eve as NORAD tracks Santa's voyage around the world. This site is lots of fun prior to Christmas Eve as well, but on the big day it often gets overloaded with visitors from around the world.

UNITED NATIONS – HUMAN RIGHTS DAY – DECEMBER 10

http://www.un.org/en/events/humanrightsday/ http://www.un.org/en/events/humanrightsday/

Human Rights Day is observed every year on 10 December. It commemorates the day on which, in 1948, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. In 1950, the Assembly passed resolution 423 (V), inviting all States and interested organizations to observe 10 December of each year as Human Rights Day.

UNITED NATIONS - INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY – DECEMBER 18

http://www.un.org/en/events/migrantsday/ http://www.un.org/en/events/migrantsday/

On 4 December 2000, the UN General Assembly, taking into account the large and increasing number of migrants in the world, proclaimed 18 December as International Migrants Day. On 18 December 1990, the General Assembly had adopted the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families.

HANUKKAH – DEC 6 TO DEC 14

http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/7233-hanukkah
http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/7233-hanukkah

From the Jewish Encyclopaedia, here is a history and explanation of the celebration.

THE OFFICIAL KWANZAA WEBSITE – DEC. 25 TO JAN 1

http://www.officialkwanzaawebsite.org/index.shtml
http://www.officialkwanzaawebsite.org/index.shtml

Kwanzaa is s a week-long celebration held in the United States and in other nations of the Western African diaspora in the Americas. The 2015 theme is "Embracing Kwanzaa's - Principles and Practice: Creating and Celebrating the Good"

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #1

NEW FROM YAESU
YAESU FT-991 ALL-BAND, MULTIMODE PORTABLE TRANSCIEVER

The FT-991 is the next generation in all mode, all band MF/HF/VHF/UHF transceiver with C4FM (System Fusion) Digital capability. The FT-991 includes multi-mode operation on CW, AM, FM, SSB, and Digital Modes (Packet, PSK31, RTTY and C4FM), with 100 Watts of HF/50 MHz Capability (50 Watts VHF/UHF).

For full details and specifications on these units, please check out the Yaesu webpage at http://www.yaesu.com/indexVS.cfm?cmd=DisplayProducts&ProdCatID=249&encProdID=D24F60F33816ED8BE5568D7E2B5E2131&DivisionID=65&isArchived=0 http://www.yaesu.com/indexVS.cfm?cmd=DisplayProducts&ProdCatID=249&encProdID=D24F60F33816ED8BE5568D7E2B5E2131&DivisionID=65&isArchived=0

All Yaesu products are available from Radio HF. Please contact Radio HF for pricing and availability.

WHERE IN THE WORLD ZONE
THIS MONTH – LATVIA

C.I.A. WORLD FACTBOOK – LATVIA

https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/lg.html
https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/lg.html

WIKIPEDIA – LATVIA

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Latvia https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Latvia

THE GOVERNMENT OF LATVIA

http://www.mk.gov.lv/en/?lang=1 http://www.mk.gov.lv/en/?lang=1

The official government site in English, Latvian and Russian

THE PARLIAMENT OF LATVIA

http://www.saeima.lv/en http://www.saeima.lv/en

The country's parliamentary site, available in English, French and Latvian

LATVIA TRAVEL

http://www.latvia.travel/en http://www.latvia.travel/en

The official tourism site of the country

RADIO STATION WORLD – LATVIA

http://radiostationworld.com/Locations/Latvia/ http://radiostationworld.com/Locations/Latvia/

This is a listing of radio services in the country

LATVIJAS RADIO

http://www.latvijasradio.lsm.lv/lv/lr/ http://www.latvijasradio.lsm.lv/lv/lr/

This is the page of the national radio services of the country.

W3NEWSPAPERS – LATVIA

http://www.w3newspapers.com/latvia/ http://www.w3newspapers.com/latvia/

A listing of newspapers, magazines and news sites in the country

THE RADIO ZONE

WINTER SWL FESTIVAL

http://www.swlfest.com/ http://www.swlfest.com/

VIA Richard Cuff, Allentown, Pennsylvania

The dates have been announced for the 2016 edition of the NASWA Winter SWL Festival in Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania. Follow this site for details of the event taking place February 19 & 20, 2016

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

https://www.fcc.gov https://www.fcc.gov/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

The Federal Communications Commission is performing a large-scale redesign of its website to improve usability. The switch to the new site is scheduled to begin on December 9, 2015 at 8:00 PM EST and be completed by 12:00 AM December 10, 2015. The new website is designed to provide better functionality, an improved design, and better searchability and navigability. Extensive user research revealed how the FCC could improve the website's information architecture to make content easier to find.

RADIO'ING

http://www.radioing.com/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Charles Bautsch, W5AM presents this all-purpose webpage for amateur radio operators. You'll find links to many different sources of information from A to Z on amateur radio.

RADIOLABS – AM RADIO RECEPTION

http://www.radiolabs.com/Articles/improving-am-radio-reception.html
http://www.radiolabs.com/Articles/improving-am-radio-reception.html

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Information on how you can dramatically increase your AM Radio's signal, get rid of that horrible noise and static, and a look at what could be causing your problems, by Chris Justice

AM-FM-TV RECEPTION GUIDE AND DIRECTORY

http://www.amfmreception.com http://www.amfmreception.com/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This is an informational site with directories, guides, and reviews of equipment, software, and services used for reception of AM and FM radio and television.

VE6JY ANTENNA FARM TOUR

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBChwkjzliw https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBChwkjzliw

VIA Don Moman, Lamont, Alberta

This is a YouTube video created by Barry, VA6DX. It is a drone flight over the VE6JY antenna farm in Lamont, Alberta. This is one of the largest amateur radio contest station installations and listening posts.

MODS.DK

http://www.mods.dk/ http://www.mods.dk/

VIA David Shindler, Oakville, Ontario

Here you will find modifications of many types of HAM radios, microphones, power supplies, modems etc. You can find how to modify a radio to receive and transmit out of range, you can find how to modify a radio to use high speed packet modems, and how to modify the radio/modem to get better performance. The database contains 5355 articles.

ANTENNA THEORY

http://www.antenna-theory.com/ http://www.antenna-theory.com/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This website is intended to be a source of knowledge for learning about and understanding antennas. The goal is to present a comprehensive tutorial on antennas. In the spirit of Einstein: "Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler." This website will strive to make antennas understandable, without unnecessary complexity.

NOAA'S SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This service provides important space weather conditions to various communities

SUNSPOTWATCH - RADIO PROPAGATION: SPACE WEATHER: SUNSPOT CYCLE INFORMATION

http://www.sunspotwatch.com http://www.sunspotwatch.com/

VIA Alan Rayment, Nelson, British Columbia

This is a live reference resource site for solar and geomagnetic data and images.

RADIO H.F. BOOK REVIEW ZONE

EDITOR: T. J. “Skip” Arey

The ARRL Antenna Book - 23rd Edition
Edited by H. Ward Silver N0AX
992 Pages – CD Rom
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Last month I reviewed the latest edition of the ARRL Handbook as a perfect holiday gift for any Ham. That said, you can really complete your knowledge base of Amateur radio technical information by adding the ARRL Antenna Book to your shelf as well.
First published in 1939 and updated periodically, the Antenna Handbook gives hams, of every skill level, essential information on antenna theory and practical antenna construction.
New Projects in this edition include a Multiband HF antenna from 160 through 10 meters, a simple omni-directional satellite antenna system, and projects related to the very popular Moxon antenna system.
There is a growing interest in using stealthy and portable antenna designs for both home and travel. This area receives improved consideration. As someone who does a lot of operating wile camping, I will be making great use of these new ideas.
Improved theory studies in the areas of short vertical antennas, as well as grounding and bonding have been added and the chapter covering Propagation has been expanded to cover MF and LF propagation.
As with other recent editions, the book includes a CD-ROM with expanded content including additional references and classic articles on antennas.
I have no doubt that the improvements you can make to your antenna system using this book will more than justify the reasonable cover price. Give it a read in the winter months so you will be ready to re-string those skywires in the spring.

Available in the US from the American Radio Relay League and in Canada from Radio HF

THE GENERAL ZONE

MASS SHOOTING TRACKER

http://shootingtracker.com/wiki/Main_Page http://shootingtracker.com/wiki/Main_Page

VIA Randy Owen, Tillsonburg, Ontario

Isn’t it a shame that we actually need a site like this? Mass Shooting Tracker counts the number of people shot rather than the number people killed because, "shooting" means "people

shot". There is data here from 2013, 2014 and 2015.

MARINE TRAFFIC

http://www.marinetraffic.com/ http://www.marinetraffic.com/

VIA David Shindler, Oakville, Ontario

This one was interesting because it provides the position and destination of marine vessels of all classes such as the Queen Mary 2, various freighters, high-speed crafts, fishing vessels and a bunch of freighters.

THE MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

http://www.museumofflight.org/ http://www.museumofflight.org/

VIA Gerald Brookman, Kenai, Alaska

The Museum of Flight, located in Seattle, Washington, exists to acquire, preserve, and exhibit historically significant air and space artefacts which provide a foundation for scholarly research, and lifelong learning programs that inspire an interest in and understanding of science, technology, and the humanities.

THE WATCHERS

http://thewatchers.adorraeli.com/ http://thewatchers.adorraeli.com/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Watching the world evolve and transform, this site provides news, information and articles on Earth changes, severe weather, space, space weather, research and more. Subscribe to their free newsletter as well.

NINE PLANETS

http://nineplanets.org/ http://nineplanets.org/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This website is an overview of the history, mythology and current scientific knowledge of the planets, moons and other objects in our solar system. Each page has our text and NASA's images, some have sounds and movies, most provide references to additional related information.

OLIVE DRAB

http://olive-drab.com/ http://olive-drab.com/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Welcome to Olive-Drab.com, where you will find over fifteen-hundred pages of military photos and information resources. Military jeeps, HMMWVs, trucks, tanks, weapons and ammunition, rations, uniforms, web gear and field equipment, electronics, history, books & videos, and much more. From World War II through Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War and the wars of the 21st Century you will find reading and photos on all the things that equip the soldier to keep the military fighting and moving.

TRENCH TOWN CULTURE YARD

http://www.trenchtowncultureyard.com/ http://www.trenchtowncultureyard.com/

VIA John Fisher, N. Chelmsford, Massachusetts

This is a small building where Marley lived when forming the Wailers with Bunny Wailer and the late Peter Tosh. The museum is a Jamaican Historical Heritage site. Based on the web site, it

is clearly a work in progress.

THE BOB MARLEY MUSEUM

http://www.bobmarleymuseum.com/ http://www.bobmarleymuseum.com/

VIA John Fisher, N. Chelmsford, Massachusetts

This is where Bob Marley lived in Kingston, Jamaica from the early 1970's until his death in 1980. The house used to be owned by former Island Record's executive Chris Blackwell, who also grew up there.

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #3

What is new in books & publications from the American Radio Relay League, the Radio Society of Great Britain, and other publishers?

Nifty E-Z Guide to Adventures in DXing
By Jeff Cantor, K1ZN
Use your radio transceiver, logging software and Internet resources to experience the thrill communicating anywhere in the world!
Most everyone has dreamed of using distant radio communication (DXing) to talk with people in interesting and distant lands. This book helps make that a reality, describing the antenna, transceiver, amplifiers, propagation prediction tools and radio operating protocols used for successfully making DX contacts.
In addition to the equipment requirements, author Jeff Cantor, K1ZN, draws on his many years of DXing to highlight: signal propagation characteristics, spotting clusters and other resources used for finding DX stations. Once contacts have been made, the fine points of QSLing and applying for DX award programs are described. For those looking for something more, there is the challenge of working DX on the Top and Magic Bands, and the excitement of working QRP.
Working the World
Becoming a DXer
DX Spotting Clusters
Working Pileups and Operating Split
DX Code of Conduct
Lessons from DXpeditions
Transceivers and Options Selection Criteria
Antennas and Towers
Power Amplifiers, how much is enough?
Using Contests to Catch DX
DX Nets and Call Lists
Understanding and using Propagation Predictions
Beacons and Reverse Beacon Networks
Online Spotting Programs and Operating Resources
QSL Logging and Contesting Software
QSL Bureaus
QSLing Direct, how to get a card back
DXCC & IOTA Card Checking
DXing Award Programs, certificates and plaques
Top Band / 160 Meter Band DXing
Magic Band / 6 Meter DXing
Operating QRP
DX Clubs and Other Support Organizations
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Publisher: CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform (October 2015)
ISBN: 978-1517761196 – Order Number 3065
Price: $17.95 U.S. or $22.50 Canadian

Arduino Sketches – Tools & Techniques for Programming Wizardry
By James A. Langbridge
Arduino Sketches is a practical guide to programming the increasingly popular microcontroller that brings gadgets to life. Accessible to tech-lovers at any level, this book provides expert instruction on Arduino programming and hands-on practice to test your skills. You'll find coverage of the various Arduino boards, detailed explanations of each standard library, and guidance on creating libraries from scratch – plus practical examples that demonstrate the everyday use of the skills you're learning. Work on increasingly advanced programming projects, and gain more control as you learn about hardware-specific libraries and how to build your own. Take full advantage of the Arduino API, and learn the tips and tricks that will broaden your skillset.
The Arduino development board comes with an embedded processor and sockets that allow you to quickly attach peripherals without tools or solders. It's easy to build, easy to program, and requires no specialized hardware. For the hobbyist, it's a dream come true – especially as the popularity of this open-source project inspires even the major tech companies to develop compatible products. Arduino Sketches is a practical, comprehensive guide to getting the most out of your Arduino setup. You'll learn to:
Communicate through Ethernet, WiFi, USB, Firmata, and Xbee
Find, import, and update user libraries, and learn to create your own
Master the Arduino Due, Esplora, Yun, and Robot boards for enhanced communication, signal-sending, and peripherals
Play audio files, send keystrokes to a computer, control LED and cursor movement, and more
This book presents the Arduino fundamentals in a way that helps you apply future additions to the Arduino language, providing a great foundation in this rapidly-growing project. If you're looking to explore Arduino programming, Arduino Sketches is the toolbox you need to get started.
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Price: $35.00 U.S. or $43.75 Canadian

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THE FUN & SERVICES ZONE

THE TOP TEN WORST CHRISTMAS SONGS

http://www.thetoptens.com/worst-christmas-songs/
http://www.thetoptens.com/worst-christmas-songs/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

My least favourite Christmas song didn’t make the list! It’s Feliz Navidad by Jose Feliciano. I hope each year that I can make it through the season without running in to it somewhere!

THE TOP TENS

http://www.thetoptens.com/ http://www.thetoptens.com/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

TheTopTens is a collection of over 70,000 interactive top ten lists that you can vote on, add to, reorder, and more. The site has been online since 2005 and in that time has amassed a collection of millions of items to vote on and comments to read.

FRUITCAKE

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fruitcake https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fruitcake

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Fruitcake…love it or leave it. There is probably no single food item that creates such a widespread gap between lovers and haters! Wikipedia's article on fruitcake discusses its history, its place in various parts of the world, and its shelf life!

THE STORY OF JINGLE BELLS

http://www.americanmusicpreservation.com/jinglebellssong.htm
http://www.americanmusicpreservation.com/jinglebellssong.htm

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

From American Music Preservation.com, this is "The One Horse Open Sleigh – The Origin of Jingle Bells".

THE 2015 HAMFEST/FLEAMARKET ZONE

The Hamfest/Fleamarket season for 2015 is complete. Listing for the 2016 season will begin to appear in the New Year.

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #4

RADIO HF GIFT CERTIFICATES

Radio HF gift certificates are a great idea if you're not sure what that special person is looking for. Radio HF gift certificates are available in any denomination; great for the upcoming holidays! Please contact Radio HF for details.

THE RESOURCES ZONE

The following is a listing of clubs, groups, radio broadcasts and other resources that may be of interest to you.

THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DX CLUB (CIDX)

CIDX is Canada's national radio monitoring club, serving radio hobbyists since 1962. Our monthly electronic newsletter, MESSENGER, covers all aspects of the radio monitoring hobby as well as amateur radio coverage.
SPECIAL OFFER: To all Radio HF Internet Newsletter subscribers, a FREE sample of our monthly CIDX electronic newsletter, MESSENGER, (in .PDF format) is available to you for the asking. Just send along an e-mail to cidxclub@yahoo.com mailto:cidxclub@yahoo.com, with a valid return e-mail address and you'll receive your copy. Our December 2015 edition is now available. Membership, at the low cost of $10 per year, or 3 years for $25.00, is open to radio hobbyists worldwide. We'd love to have you on-board as a member. Please visit our new, updated CIDX web page shortly at http://www.cidx.ca http://www.cidx.ca/
CIDX is now also on Facebook. Check us out at
https://www.facebook.com/groups/785651348139814/
https://www.facebook.com/groups/785651348139814/

PRIME TIME SHORTWAVE

Prime Time Shortwave is a listing of English shortwave broadcast that are updated frequently by webmasters Daniel Sampson and by database administrator Ernest Riley. The schedules are constantly updated from various print and internet sources as well as from monitoring by the webmaster and other shortwave listeners and DXers. The shortwave schedules are available by time, country and frequency format. Also, they are available in ASCII, Dbase and Excel. You will also find links to some of the best radio related websites and to the international broadcasters and time conversion charts (some provided by Craig Braun). Please visit the Prime Time Shortwave webpage at
http://www.primetimeshortwave.com/ http://www.primetimeshortwave.com/

THE INTERNATIONAL RADIO REPORT

The International Radio Report, on CKUT-FM, 90.3 FM in Montreal this month, is available via the Internet live streaming, and on the airwaves of CKUT, Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM Eastern (1530 UTC). The show's co-hosts, Sheldon Harvey & David Asselin, present a weekly half-hour of news, information and developments in radio broadcasting. Now in its 28th year on the air

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